<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refers to the court's docket number.

factors: (1) the public's interest in the expeditious resolution of litigation; (2) the court's need to 1 manage its docket; (3) the risk of prejudice to the defendant; 4) the public policy favoring 2 disposition of cases on their merits; and (5) the availability of less dramatic sanctions. *Id*. 3 4 Here, these factors weigh in favor of dismissal. The need for the expeditious resolution of cases on the court's docket is strong. Defendants have an interest in resolving this matter in a timely 5 6 manner. Further, there is a lack of prejudice to the plaintiffs because they have shown an 7 unwillingness to continue litigating their complaint which weighs in favor of granting the motion. 8 Additionally, although public policy favors a resolution on the merits, the court finds that dismissal 9 is warranted in light of these other considerations. 10 11 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that defendants' motion to dismiss (Doc. #4) is 12 GRANTED. Plaintiffs' complaint (Doc. #1, Exhibit A) is DISMISSED in its entirety. 13 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendant's motion to dismiss (Doc. #11) is DENIED as 14 moot. 15 IT IS SO ORDERED. Aldriha 16 DATED this 17th day of May, 2012. 17 18 LARRY R. HICKS 19 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 20 21 22 23 24 25 26